

“First of All, Prayer”

1Tim.2:1-8

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INTRODUCTION: 1. A PARABLE ON PRAYER – THE BAKER (ASK, SEEK, KNOCK)

2. THE PRIORITY OF PRAYER (1TIM.2:1) *Proton panton* (GK) ‘Of first importance’

I) The Passions of Prayer (v1)

A) Prayers – “ASK” (GK) *Proseuchomai* ‘To wish or desire towards’

Petitions, more general, regular requests for needs always present. This is prayer motivated by discipline not desperation. Matt.5:44; 6:5-9; 14:23; 26:36,39,41,42,44; Col. 1:3,9; 4:2,3; 1 Thes.5:17,25; 2 Thes.1:11; 3:1; Heb. 13:18; Eph.1:6; 1 Thes.1:2; Phimem. 4; Rom.1:9

B) Supplication – “SEEK” (GK) *Deasis* ‘a wanting results is an asking, request deeply felt’

For more specific needs and situations, This prayer is motivated by sense of desperate need. Examples: Luke 11:5-13; 18:1-8

Lk.2:37; Acts 1:14; Rom.10:1; Phil.1:19; 2Tim.1:3; Heb.5:7; James 5:16; Lk.22:32; Acts 4:22; 1Thes.3:10; 2Cor.8:4; Zec.12:10

C) Intercessions – “KNOCK” (GK) *Inteiches* ‘to fall in with’ Pleading on behalf of another to obtain or position.’ Examples: Exodus 32:10-14,30-34;34:4-10; Esther; Numbers 16

This prayer is motivated sacrificial love for another

Rom.8:27,34; 11:2; Ezek.22:29-31; Heb.7:25; Gen. 20:7; 18:20-33; 19:29

D) THANKSGIVING (GK) *eucharista* ‘well & freely giving’

This prayer is motivated by gratitude and joy

Luke 17:11-19; 1 Thes.5:18; Phil.4:6; Col.2:7; 4:2; Ps.116:12,17-19

II) The Petitions of Prayer (vs 2-4)

A) That we may live a quiet and peaceable life

1. Quiet (GK) *eeremos* ‘free from outward disturbance’ (like war and persecution)
2. Peaceable (GK) *heesukios* ‘free from inner turmoil’ (like worry, anxiety)
From *hedraios* ‘to stay seated’ i.e. steadfast

*Prayer is antidote to worry!

B) That people be saved

1. God desires all to be saved. 2Pet.3:9; John 3:16; 1 Tim.1:15; LK.9:51-56; 19:1-10
2. Jesus died for all. 1John 2:2; 4:14,15; 1 Cor.5:15; Mk. 16:15

3. Jesus is the Ransom (GK) *antilutron* 'substitute ransom' from *lutron* 'ransom'

Ransom Cont. Matt.20:26; Mk. 10:45; Lk.24:21; Titus 2:14; 1Pet.1:18; Heb.9:12

3. Jesus is our mediator (GK) *mesitees* 'one who stands in the middle' Gal.3:19,20; Heb.8:6; 9:15; 12:24; 1Jn.2:1;

4. Salvation is 'acknowledging the truth. (GK) *epiginosko* 'experiential truth' It must be experienced! Rom.1:28; Eph.1:7;4:13; Col.1:10; 2:2;3:10; 2Tim.2:25; 3:7; Titus 1:1; Heb.10:26; 2Pet.1:2,2,8; 2:20

III) The Person of Prayer (v8)

1. Worship "Lifting hands - " Ps.28:1,2; 134;141; 143:6-8

2. Holy - Ps.24:3,4; James 4:6-10 Ps. 66:16-20

3. Without Wrath - Mk.11:24-26; James 1:20; Num.20

4. Without Doubting – James 1:6-8; Mk.11;24